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HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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Man Dies After Assaulting Woman, Resisting Arrest

Howard County Police are investigating the death of an Anne Arundel County man after he assaulted a woman and resisted being placed under arrest during the assault. Police arrested the subject for physically assaulting his girlfriend in her home. While police were escorting the man out of the residence, he stopped breathing. Officers immediately administered CPR and called for an ambulance. The man's identity is being withheld, pending notification of next of kin.

At approximately 4:30 p.m., a resident of the 8500 block of Murphy Road in Scaggsville called police to make a trespassing complaint. Upon police arrival, the caller indicated the man was high on drugs, likely PCP, and was trespassing in the residence. The caller also advised that the subject, the boyfriend of a woman renting a room in the home, was physically assaulting her. Officers entered the residence and observed the man severely beating the female resident.

The man resisted arrest and police had to physically take him into custody.

Police learned from the victim that the man had bitten off part of her finger and part of her ear. The victim sustained severe facial injuries during the assault. She also had bite marks on her neck and chest.

Both the man and the victim were transported to Howard County General Hospital. The man was pronounced dead. The victim is continuing to receive medical treatment.

Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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